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## Milk Production in Pennsylvania Up 0.1 Percent in June

HARRISBURG, PA, July 19, 2006 - - - Milk production in Pennsylvania during June 2006 totaled 899 million pounds, 0.1 percent above last June's production of 898 million pounds, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (USDA/NASS). The number of milk cows in the state during the month averaged 555,000 head, down 1,000 head from May, and 8,000 less than June 2005.

Production per cow averaged 1,620 pounds in June, 80 pounds less than May's production per cow of 1,700 pounds and 25 pounds more than June 2005.

Milk production in the 23 states surveyed during June 2006 totaled 14 billion pounds, up 1.9 percent from June 2005. May revised production, at 14.7 billion pounds, was up 2.7 percent from May 2005. The May revision represented a decrease of 14 million pounds or 0.1 million percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major states averaged 1,695 pounds for June, 5 pounds above June 2005.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major states was 8.27 million head, 128,000 head more than June 2005, and 9,000 head more than May 2006.

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